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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Willowbrook - Two Dead, Six Injured Following Shooting in LA County, Shooter at Large

(U) Authorities advise two people are dead and several others were rushed to the hospital following a shooting in the Willowbrook community of Los Angeles County. LA County Fire Department said that of the four people taken to the hospital, three had minor injuries and a fourth victim is in critical condition. Authorities are unclear as to the motive of the shooting at this time. No arrests have been made, and a description of the shooter was not available.

SOURCE: 10 April 2022, ABC News

(U) San Diego - Man Shot by Police Outside of SD Harbor Police Headquarters

(U) The San Diego Police Department is investigating an officer involved shooting that left a man in critical condition. Authorities said the suspect was shot by police after presenting a weapon. The suspect walked into police headquarters and used a call box located inside the building to request for citizen assistance; the suspect then walked back to his car. When officers approached the man, he presented a weapon. A total of three officers were involved in the incident and none of the officers were injured. The suspect was provided immediate aid and taken to a hospital in critical condition. An investigation into the incident in underway.

SOURCE: 10 April 2022, CBS San Diego

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) Mexico – 400 Missing People Found Dead in Guanajuato State from Cartel Violence

(U) Guanajuato – Representatives from the Guanajuato state search commission reported that the bodies of at least 400 missing persons have been found in the region since July 2019. The area is plagued by turf wars between rival Mexican drug cartels. Officials said that many of the remains were found in clandestine graves with at least 90 percent having been positively identified through missing person reports. Officials noted that 600 missing people have been found alive in the same timeframe with disappearances in minors being higher than those of adults.

SOURCE: 8 April 2022, Latin Post

(U) California – One Man Dead, Three Rescued from Capsized Panga Found in Ocean Beach

(U) San Diego – Authorities said that three men were rescued, and one was found dead after a suspected smuggling boat overturned near the Ocean Beach pier. The capsized 30-foot panga was spotted by the San Diego Lifeguard Service and a search took place involving the US Coast Guard for several hours, but no other people were found. Us Border Patrol was also present at the scene as panga boats are often used to transport undocumented migrants from Mexican waters to the United States. Pangas are low-slung boats outfitted with outboard motors favored by some smugglers because their low profile often allows them to slip undetected as they cross the border. As ramped up border enforcement has made coming into the US more and more difficult, migrants seek increasingly dangerous routes, including deserts, mountains, and oceans.

SOURCE: 10 April 2022, San Diego Union-Tribune

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(U) Texas - CBP Officers Seize over \$13 Million in Mixed Narcotics at International Bridge

(U) Pharr – US Customs and Border Protection authorities intercepted more than \$13 million in alleged fentanyl, cocaine, heroin, and methamphetamine at the Pharr International Bridge Cargo facility. After referring a commercial tractor trailer for a secondary inspection, authorities used non-intrusive inspection systems to identify more than 1,000 pounds of mixed narcotics. Authorities seized the drugs and truck as an investigation is underway. The Pharr cargo facility continues to be a target for smuggling activity in the region.

SOURCE: 8 April 2022, US CBP

(U) NATIONAL

(U) District of Columbia – FBI Removed Russian Malware to Thwart Global Cyberattacks

(U) Washington – Attorney General Merrick Garland revealed that the US secretly removed malware from computer networks around the world over the past few weeks to pre-empt Russian cyberattacks. The announcement comes shortly after the White House warned companies that Russia could attack critical infrastructure in the country, such as financial institutions and the electric grid. The removed malware would enable the intelligence arm of the Russian military to create botnets called Cyclops Blink out of the infected computer networks. It's still unclear what Russia was planning to do with the hijacked computers, but botnets are typically used to perform large-scale Distributed Denial of Service attacks, as well as to send spam to compromise sensitive information.

SOURCE: 7 April 2022, Yahoo

(U) Iowa – Two Dead, 10 Hospitalized after Nightclub Shooting in Cedar Rapids

(U) Cedar Rapids – Authorities said a shooting at a night club in Cedar Rapids left two people dead and sent 10 to the hospital. Cedar Rapids officers were in the area when the shooting occurred and the area around the nightclub was secured. No information about the potential suspects has been released, and police confirmed an investigation was ongoing.

SOURCE: 10 April 2022, USA Today

(U) Louisiana – US Marshals' Operation Recovers 16 Missing Sex Trafficking Victims

(U) New Orleans – Authorities completed a three-month operation in New Orleans that led to the recovery of 16 missing children, the arrest of five individuals and uncovered allegations of sex trafficking in several of the cases. The US Marshall service led the operation, named "Fresh Start," that began on New Year's Day. The Marshall service highlighted several cases in which children were recovered and rescued as part of collaborative efforts of local and county law enforcement agencies in Louisiana and around the country.

SOURCE: 10 April 2022, CNN

(U) Massachusetts – Police Investigating Bomb Threat Called into Islamic Center

(U) Worcester – Authorities are investigating a bomb threat that was called into Al-Huda Academy at the Worcester Islamic Center. Officers were dispatched to the Islamic Center in Worcester for the bomb threat and evacuated the school and nearby residences. Investigators searched the premises and located nothing suspicious. An investigation is underway into the source of the call by the regional Joint Terrorism Task Force and investigators urged citizens to report suspicious behavior with the religious holidays Passover, Easter and Ramadan approaching.

SOURCE: 8 April 2022, Boston 25 News

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(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Burkina Faso - Suspected Extremist Attack Kills 16 Soldiers

(U) Ouagadougou – Authorities said an attack by suspected Islamic extremist rebels on a military unit in Burkina Faso killed at least 16 security forces and injured many others. An additional 21 soldiers were wounded, and equipment was also damaged. Burkina Faso is grappling with rising jihadi violence linked to al-Qa'ida and the Islamic State group that's killed thousands and displaced some two million people. The latest attack is one in a series against the military. At least 40 security forces were killed in the last two weeks of March according to an official report.

SOURCE: 8 April 2022, ABC News

(U) Cuba - Coast Guard Finds 88 Migrants in Sinking Vessel, Returns Them to Haiti

(U) Sagua La Grande – The US Coast Guard repatriated 88 people, including 62 males and 26 females who were all in a sinking vessel, to Haiti. The vessel was spotted by an airplane crew with the dozens of migrants about 18 miles north of Sagua La Grande, Cuba. The Coast Guard rescued all on board. The number of Haitian migrants the Coast Guard crews have interdicted has recently increased. Since October, the Coast Guard reported finding 3,060 Haitian migrants at sea. It is more than double the Haitian migrants the Coast Guard interdicted last year.

SOURCE: 10 April 2022, Local 10 News

(U) Nigeria – Terrorists Kill over 80, Abduct 70, Razes Houses in Plateau State

(U) Kanam – Authorities said a large number of terrorists invaded the Kanam local government area of the state, killing more than 80 people, 70 abducted and burnt over 100 houses down. Numerous civilians are being treated for gunshot wounds at Dengi general hospital and Jus University teaching hospital in Plateau State. Eyewitness reports disclosed over 70 persons, of which most were women, were abducted by the terrorists. Most of the villages in the area have been deserted while those who escaped the killings are taking refuge in the nearby council areas. The local government has been involved in the conflict with the terrorists for some time with the terror group seeking to dominate a game reserve located in the area.

SOURCE: 11 April 2022, Nigerian Tribune

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